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a group chose to do that, and let's talk about a group of towns. example, because that's not apparently quite so controversial, if a group of decided towns municipalities, there would be oversight into how this...how stable this arrangement was to begin with, what the agreements were with respect to termination or pulling out of the pool, what the reserves were, what the claim loss experience is. There would be an independent auditor who would review the application and the financial stability and so all of that would exist with regard to the particular pooling arrangement through our existing Department of Insurance, and I think they've done a pretty outstanding job on the other pools that exist right now. The workmen's compensation pool, for example. We've not heard of problems with that, that I know of. This is based on the same principles, the same principles as what...as what the compensation pooling arrangement would workmen's The . . . again, when I introduced this bill, truly didn't...didn't anticipate this much opposition from teachers or now Blue Cross Blue Shield because they both were on the task force, they both supported the principles of this kind of pooling arrangement or pooling legislation which would enable people to partake in pooling. And, in...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR BROMM: ...fact, there was no opposition at the committee hearing. There was testimony in support from Blue Cross Blue Shield and it's only after the bill gets to the floor and Senator Baker prioritizes the bill do I find any opposition. And so I've been somewhat puzzled by it all, to tell you the truth. I want to just reiterate that this, again, is a totally enabling statute. It is simply to enable governmental subdivisions to have the option of looking at pooling and, if so, it's going to take a lot of work for them to put something together. I don't see that taking away from the educational alliance pool at this point in time. If, down the line, that becomes a significant concern of theirs...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR BROMM: ... I would hope that they would extend overtures